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Buildout Costs for Senate, Retirement Committees and Law Library (Miscellaneous Appropriations)

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CURRENT LAW

The costs of leased space for the Assembly and Senate Chief Clerks and their staffs, the staffs of the Assembly and Senate Caucuses, the Legislative Documents room, the Senate Sergeant's staff, four legislative service agencies (Legislative Council, Legislative Reference Bureau, Legislative Fiscal Bureau and Legislative Technology Services Bureau), the State Law Library, the offices of the Supreme Court Justices and the office of the Lieutenant Governor are all currently being paid from the capitol offices relocation appropriation.

GOVERNOR

In connection with the upcoming relocations of the Senate Chief Clerk and staff, the staffs of the Senate Caucuses, the Legislative Documents room, the Senate Sergeant's staff, the Retirement Committees' office and the Law Library to the new Justice Center, provide a total of \$6,543,000 GPR in 2001-02 in the capitol offices relocation appropriation for one-time costs associated with the cash financing of build-out (internal construction of office space) costs for these entities in the new building.

DISCUSSION POINTS

1. Under the Governor's recommendation, the following amount of funds were allocated in the capitol offices relocation appropriation in 2001-02 for build-out costs:

Funding for Build-Out Costs Under Capitol Offices Relocation Appropriation

<u>Entity</u>	2001-02 Amount
Senate	\$1,271,100 *
Retirement Committees	61,000 *
Legislative Reference Bureau	2,652,000
Law Library	2,558,900
TOTAL	\$6,543,000

^{*}Partial build-out costs funding of \$667,900 for these two entities was already estimated for 2000-01.

- 2. Two actions have subsequently occurred which affect this recommended funding level. First, the State Building Commission acted in October of last year to allocate in the current fiscal year (2000-01) a total of \$2,585,000 GPR from the capitol offices relocation appropriation to a building trust fund account. This was done to allow the payment of these build-out costs by the Department of Administration (DOA) which is administering the project payouts. Second, at the request of DOA, the Co-chairs of JCLO authorized expenditure of a total of \$2,000,000 GPR in 2000-01 from this appropriation to be allocated to a separate building trust fund account. This will similarly allow the direct payment by DOA of build-out costs for Senate and Retirement Committees' offices in the new Justice Center.
- 3. The Committee could reduce funding for this appropriation in 2001-02 by a total of \$3,891,000 GPR (the \$2,558,900 GPR reserved for the Law Library build-out costs; the \$1,271,100 GPR reserved for Senate staff build-out costs; and the \$61,000 GPR reserved for the Retirement Committees' office build-out costs. The only funds remaining in this appropriation for build-out costs then would be \$2,652,000 GPR for costs associated with the Legislative Reference Bureau's occupancy of the space being vacated by the Law Library in the One East Main building.

ALTERNATIVES

- 1. Approve the Governor's recommendation.
- 2. Reduce funding in the capitol offices relocation appropriation by \$3,891,000 GPR in 2001-02 to remove monies for one-time build-out costs that have already been obligated in this fiscal year from this appropriation.

Alternative 2	<u>GPR</u>
2001-03 FUNDING (Change to Bill)	- \$3,891,000

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